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Hongkong, 11th August, 1897. [7

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T. H. WHITEHEAD,
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Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897. [31

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL $10,000,000
RESERVE FUND .....$ 7,000,000
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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 14th August, 1897. [3

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
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Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [9

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Hongkong, 2nd March, 1896. [27

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.
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Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [18

GENERAL NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1885. [26

NOTICE.

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CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE,
No. 9, Praya West.
Hongkong, 9th May, 1894. [30

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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LONDON	*Sunda*	S G.D.Andrew, R.N.R.,	About 11th Nov...	Freight or Passage.
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SHANGHAI	*Ganges*	T. F. Creery	About 13th Nov...	Freight or Passage.
JAPAN	*Verona*	C.H.S. Tocque, R.N.R.,	About 14th Nov...	Freight or Passage. (Passing through the Inland Sea).
LONDON &c.	*Ancona*	W. D. Mudie, R.N.R.,	Noon, 18th Nov...	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON STRAITS AND BOMBAY	*Manila*	R. S Haddock, R.N.R.,	About 25th Nov...	Freight or Passage.
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Hongkong, 5th November, 1897. [5

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PRIME BEEF & MUTTON
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BUTCHERY
Hongkong, 1st May, 1897. [116

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Hongkong, 30th October, 1897. [19

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E. V. SIOEN, Manager.
Yokohama, 1st October, 1897. [48

Intimations.

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Hongkong, 7th August, 1897. [26

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Hongkong, 8th October, 1897. 14

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Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. [443

Auctions.

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OF
OIL PAINTINGS, WATER COLOURS, &c., &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION
TO-MORROW,
(SATURDAY), the 6th November 1897,
Commencing at 2.30 P.M.,
at his SALES ROOMS, DUDDELL STREET,
A FINE LOT OF
OIL PAINTINGS, framed and unframed, by artists of high standing including: MANDOLINE PLAYER by F. Pappacene (The model was the celebrated BICYCLE BRIDE, daughter o the artist); also, by the same artist, MARIGUERITE, MEPHISTOPHELES, FLORENCE ELLALINE, IRISH GIRL. The following by J. H. Valdo: FAVOURITE of the HAREM, The TIMID BATHER, SWEET SEVENTEEN—The BATHER, by Bukowac.
FRAMED WATER COLOURS, FRAMED ENGRAVINGS, ART PHOTOGRAPHY, &c., &c., &c.
Also
A NUMBER OF
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Catalogues issued prior to Sale.
On view from FRIDAY the 5th Nov. 1897.
TERMS:—As customary.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1897. [1670

PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
GENT'S AUTUMN AND WINTER SUITINGS.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION
TO-MORROW,
(SATURDAY), the 6th November, 1897,
at 12.15 P.M. (Before Tiffin),
A LOT OF
Fine SCOTCH TWEEDS, HOMESPUNS and NAVY BLUE SERGES, cut in Suitlengths,
On View from FRIDAY, the 5th September, 1897.
TERMS:—As customary.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1897. [1680

Intimations.

CLUB.

THE Annual General MEETING of the above CLUB will be held, by permission, in the CITY HALL, on
MONDAY, 8th November, 1897,
at 5.30 p.m.
E. W. MITCHELL,
Acting Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 30th October, 1897. [1658

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 13th day of November, 1897, at 12 o'clock Noon, when the subjoined resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 27th day of October, 1897, will be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions.

1.—That it is desirable to reconstruct the Company, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that James Berwick Duncan, Esq., be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up.

2.—That the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized to consent to the registration of a new Company, to be named The Punjom Mining Company, Limited, with a Memorandum and Articles of Association which have already been prepared with the privity and approval of the Directors of this Company.

3.—That the draft agreement submitted to this meeting and expressed to be made between this Company of the first part and its Liquidator of the second part and the new Company of the third part be and the same is hereby approved, and that the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized, pursuant to Section 149 of the Companies Ordinance, 1865, to enter into an agreement with such New Company when incorporated in the terms of the said draft, and to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as he thinks expedient.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
JAMES B. DUNCAN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 28th October, 1897. [1640

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Registers of Shares in the above COMPANY will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 11th November, to SATURDAY, the 13th November, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
JAMES B. DUNCAN,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 30th October, 1897. [1654

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A FINAL BONUS of 2½ per cent on CONTRIBUTIONS and a DIVIDEND of $16 per Share for the year 1896, will be PAYABLE on THURSDAY, the 14th instant.
WARRANTS may be had on application at the OFFICE of the SOCIETY on and after that date.
By Order of the Board,
N. J. EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th October, 1897. [1-m 1560

To-day's Advertisements.

EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, TO-NIGHT, the 5th November, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1897. [1653

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

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Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed *viâ* Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

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H. A. RITCHIE,
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Hongkong, 5th November, 1897. [5

Intimations.

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [1506

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Hongkong, 17th May, 1897. [821

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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 28th October, 1897. [6

BIRTH.

At No. 1, Queen's Gardens, on the 5th November, 1897, the wife of Mr. ARNOLD FUCHS, of a daughter. [1686

MARRIAGE.

On the 23rd of October, 1897, at the Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. W. C. Hodges, M.A., the Rev. T. HOWARD-SMITH, of the London Mission, Peking, to MARY, second daughter of EDWIN BURTON, Esq., of Darlinghurst, Sydney.

DEATH.

At Hankow, on the 20th of October, 1897, M. A. JENKINS.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1897.

TROPICAL ILLUSIONS.

Everyone unacquainted with the tropics has a more or less vivid impression of waving palm trees, cooling streams, sweet perfumes and a lavish profusion of beautiful colours in the birds and flowers that dazzle the eyes. The mere sound of the word conjures up to the average schoolboy visions of an earthly paradise, where gold and precious stones are to be had for the asking, and where life is one long holiday of pleasure and content. It is a great thing to be young with all the world before you and to be able to imagine that foreign countries are as your youthful fancy paints them; but the disillusionment that comes with knowledge is cruel in the extreme.

Most folks have a dim mind-picture of a tropical forest. A wealth of palms and strange forms of vegetation; the blossoms on the trees only surpassed by the beauty of others that stud the carpet of green sward which is never absent from the picture; while gorgeous and strangely formed orchids are on every hand. The whole forest is full of life; gaily plumaged birds and gem-like butterflies flit to and fro ceaselessly; monkeys and a host of various animals dance gaily through the branches overhead or peep timidly out from behind each tree trunk, while the larger animals go crashing off in dismay at the unaccustomed sight of man. Such is the tropical forest of imagination. The reality is a sad disappointment to most people. The flowers appear to be absent or when found are usually small and colourless, and quite different from the orchids one sees crowded together in full bloom in English green-houses. The hum of abundant animal life is not heard, and a strange and deathlike silence broods over everything, so that the sound of one's own voice or the discordant shriek of some bird or animal seems to be horribly out of place, and a depression steals over one that makes speaking above a whisper seem like sacrilege. The birds and butterflies and animals are not there as they should be, and all one's preconceptions are shattered at a blow. This impression usually lasts for a considerable time, but gradually a great love for the silence and churchlike aspect of the forest springs up, and one feels unaccountably drawn towards it by some subtle but unknown charm. Then the truth begins to dawn upon one. The birds and beasts and flowers are really there, but they inhabit a totally different world from ours, and this we have to visit if we wish to see them.

One soon learns to look for the small opening made by the fall of some giant tree, for it is here the flowers are to be found, where they can bask in the sunlight. Then too, along come the butterflies, which have only been awaiting the advent of the flowers to make their appearance, and, when some of the blossoms have faded and the fruit has ripened, a noisy crowd of birds seem to spring up from nowhere to feed upon it, and the shy squirrels and monkeys come gingerly along to take their share when they have assured themselves that the coast is clear. The larger beasts must be sought out in their respective haunts, unless one is fortunate enough to stumble across one of their drinking places, when an hour or two spent in quietly watching for them at dawn or dusk will generally reveal them.

The great seat of animal life, however, in a tropical forest is in the tree-tops. The forest below is damp and gloomy, and is only inhabited by what one might call the fish of the forest world. The depths of the forest are only sought for shelter or safety, and as we poor mortals have not yet developed wings and are no longer fit for an aboreal life, we are doomed to live apart from the upper ten thousand of the tree-tops. *They* live from two to three hundred feet in the air, and it is only when they take a dive into the sea of foliage that we poor crawling beings, who are confined to the gloomy bottom, get a sight of them.

Thus it is that our ideals are shattered on the first sight of the real, and it requires but little penetration to arrive at a satisfactory explanation of how we originally obtained them. The glowing word-pictures of the beauties of the tropical forest have been painted by folks who have never seen the reality. They are familar with tropical flowers from seeing them in our conservatories and botanic gardens, and, as the flowers of the temperate zone congregate in masses of colour, like a field of buttercups or poppies, they naturally imagine that those of the torrid zone do likewise. They have never seen the reality and those who have described the forest from their own observations have not made such an impression on the popular mind as those who have done so from imagination. Man likes pleasant things, and so the bright picture has remained fixed in the memory of the many and has grown and spread, while the gloomy one, offering few attractions, has been forgotten by all but the careful few who seek for truth and do not cry out when they find it bitter. This certainly may serve to account for a very popular error, but the fact remains the same that the disappointment of the ordinary man on his first introduction to the tropics is genuine and unexpected. *Empta dolore docet experientia*, says the proverb, but to many their chief regret is that they have not remained longer ignorant.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

THE MAYORALTY ELECTION IN NEW YORK.

LONDON, November 3rd.

Mr. Vanwyck, the Tammany candidate, has been elected mayor of New York by a large majority.

FUNERAL OF THE DUCHESS OF TECK.

The funeral of the late Duchess of Teck took place yesterday with Royal pomp. The foreign Courts were represented.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN AND THE GLASGOW UNIVERSITY.

Mr. Chamberlain has been installed Rector of Glasgow University.

EGYPT.

The *Times* correspondent at Cairo states that General Sir H. Kitchener commands a force of 200 with a battery to occupy Kassala, proceeding via Mantowah.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE buying rate for sovereigns is $10.49 per £.

TELEGRAPHIC communication with Formosa is entirely interrupted, the cables from Foochow and from Japan being both broken.

H.M.S. *Centurion* and *Phœnix* are at Amoy, the *Immortalité* is at Yokohama, the *Pigmy*, *Pique* and *Alacrity* are at Shanghai, the *Narcissus* is at Nagasaki, the *Plover* at Penang and the *Grafton* at Singapore.

IT is notified by the Postmaster General that New Year's Parcels for the United Kingdom posted before 3 p.m. on Wednesday 17th November will reach London on 29th December. Senders of parcels are requested to post them a few days in advance.

THE band of the West York Regiment will play the following programme at the Gymkhana to-morrow afternoon:—

March	"Ubique"	W. G. Bentley.
Overture	"Romantique"	Kela Bela.
Polka	"Sans Souci"	Strauss.
Reminiscences	"Of All Nations"	F. Godfrey.
Valse	"Spring Flowers"	Bousquet.
Selection	"La Petite Marie"	Lecocq.

God Save the Queen.

A WRIT was issued yesterday by the Kwong Wan Steamboat Co. against the steam-launch *Wingkwat* and the schooner *Kutsing* for $2,000 for damages occasioned by a collision in Shakwan Anchorage in the Canton River on 30th September. The *Wingkwat* was towing the *Kutsing* at the time of the collision. Mr. F. Howell, chief bailiff, seized the launch and schooner yesterday.

ANOTHER Chinaman was charged at the Magistracy this morning with selling tickets for the "Wai-sing" lottery and collecting books of the lottery. He was seen by a constable to go from house to house with the books in his hand, and when he was charged at the Station it was discovered that he had some of the tickets in his mouth. He was fined $25 and the money found in his possession, which amounted to a little over $11, was confiscated.

WE would remind our readers of the important sale of oil and watercolour pictures by Mr. G. P. Lammert at his sales-room, Duddell Street at 2.30 to-morrow afternoon. The watercolour sketches by Mr. A. Baptista are sure to call forth keen competition, for they include many views on the Canton River, of Lycemun Pass, Chinese junks, and scenes at Amoy, Foochow, etc. The collection now on view in Mr. Lammert's rooms is the finest one we have ever seen in an auction room in Hongkong.

THE adjourned case Thomas's Grillroom *v.* R. G. Hopkins, was called on again to-day in the Summary Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court before the Puisne Judge. The sum claimed was $11.56. Mr. S. W. Tso appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Holmes for the defence. Last week his Lordship adjourned the case in order that a detailed list of the claims be supplied, stating which was board and which was drinks supplied at the bar. To-day counsel asked for another week's postponement with a view to a settlement being effected. Mr. Tso informed his Lordship that his client had now applied for a publican's license. His Lordship consented to a postponement till Friday and said that the police could prosecute if drink was sold at the bar under an adjunct license.

THE hearing of the charge of champerty against Wong Chuk Lam, clerk, and Pang Koon Chu, broker, was resumed at the Magistracy this afternoon. Mr. K. W. Mounsey gave evidence that the second defendant went to him on the 7th April and asked him to take up the case. He said he would if the costs were given to him. The second defendant said he would settle that and came to him the next day with some costs on account. He knew the second defendant, having met him in business before. Ho Kit, master of a boarding house in Jubilee Street, gave evidence as to what took place when the second defendant met the complainant at his boarding house. He heard defendant ask the complainant for 60 per cent. on the money recovered on damages and 30 per cent. for that on the loss of life. Remanded till to-morrow.

A far off links beside a sunlit sea,
The distance melting in the summer haze,
The gorse ablaze
With golden blossom passing sweet,
And clumps of blue sea holly at our feet;
A day of days.

A girlish face, laughing but still intent,
And sweet brown eyes that dance with merriment,
Eyes that could laugh or cry as it might be
The whole world to me.
Bathed in the golden glory of that day
I still can see
That half-deserted links so far away
Where we two used to play.

The summer sun still dances on the sea,
The gorse bloom lingers with its wealth of gold,
Just as of old,
The low sea holly with its shades of blue,
Reflects to summer skies the stolen hue,
As on that smiling day
And yet to me
The lonely links—and all the world—are gray,
And I've no heart to play.

PROPOSALS for legislation introduced into the House by private members are not ordinarily regarded with too friendly an eye, but the Juries Detention Bill, which passed through committee without amendment and has been read a third time, embodies within its few lines a reform, that will be generally welcomed and approved (writes the *Pall Mall Gazette*. The absurdity in these later days of locking jurymen up in cases of felony, when the trial has not concluded at the rising of the court, while the prisoner was often allowed out on bail, had grown into something little short of a scandal, and the annoyance and the inconvenience thus attached to the performance of an important public duty did much to bring it into unpopularity. Apart from the discomfort of twelve men being constrained to remain together, in some instances for many days and nights, it was necessarily to most of them a serious matter to be deprived of all opportunity of attending to their private business, and this because the prisoner of whom they were in charge was being tried on an indictment that contained the word feloniously. The Juries Detention Bill 1897 proposes to get rid of this ridiculous state of things, and upon the trial of any felony to give the court power to permit the jury to separate. Mr. Lloyd Morgan and his five learned co-sponsors of this admirable measure are to be warmly congratulated on having steered it successfully through the House of Commons, and we hope that the learned Lords in another place will hasten to do all that is necessary to qualify it for a place on the Statute-book of 1897.

SECOND Officer G. Nath, of the North German Lloyd steamer *Roland*, has a small nugget of gold that came from the depths of the Atlantic ocean. It was drawn up from the ocean with the lead of the sounding apparatus while Officer Nath was ascertaining the depth of the water off the banks of Newfoundland, when the *Roland* was steaming along through a thick fog. When the sounding lead was lifted on the steamer's deck the nugget fell out, and it was probably brought up in the piece of leather that is used to fasten the sounding line. Officer Nath had no idea that he had found a piece of gold, but he put the little stone in his pocket, intending to keep it as a curiosity that had been taken from the bottom of the ocean. The next day he took the metal from his pocket, and the idea that he had found a nugget of gold dawned upon his mind. The find was taken to Purser R. von Schmidt, who spent several years of his early life in the gold fields of Australia. He promptly pronounced it to be gold. The officers of the steamer are at a loss to know how the nugget happened to be on the bottom of the ocean, and they think Officer Nath's lead probably rested on the site of a gold field that will never be developed. The longitude and latitude of the position of the *Roland* when the find was made was not taken, but on the next voyage the officers will take frequent soundings off the banks of Newfoundland with a lead that has a cup arrangement inside, which opens when it strikes the bottom and scoops up sand or stone on the bottom. Officer Nath will have the nugget mounted, and will wear it as a scarf-pin. It may be remembered that the officer of a sailing vessel secured a nugget from the same locality in a similar manner a few years ago.

THE baique *Powys Castle* which arrived at Brisbane from Hamburg on the 6th ult., had a fearful experience on her voyage out. The vessel left port on June 1st last, with Captain K. Jones in command, but was brought into port by Chief Officer Thomas, from whose story the eventful voyage. After a fairly smart run, picking up the south-east trade winds, strong south-west to north-west gales, with high seas, were encountered. On the morning of August 7th, while running before a strong south-west gale, under reefed topsails, at 3 a.m., it being the second mate's watch, she shipped a heavy sea, which washed the captain overboard. This sea also smashed the skylight and companion-way, and flooded the cabin. The first mate, Mr. Thomas, was washed out of his bunk, and immediately rushed on deck, and found that the captain was missing. The heavy seas having broken adrift a big spar, all hands were called to secure it, as it was jeopardising the safety of the vessel. Whilst this was bein done the vessel shipped another heavy sea, which smashed the wheel, and knocked the second mate down, breaking his right arm above the elbow. The man at the wheel, named Myberg, was washed from his post on to the main deck, and then overboard. The steward was also knocked down and severely injured, and other members of the crew were more or less hurt. Several sails were lost in this gale, and the boats, skids, rails, bulwarks, etc., all suffered severely, and the standard and steering compasses were both destroyed, rendering navigation of the vessel difficult. Great credit is due to Captain Thomas and the crew for bringing the vessel to port. Large volumes of water penetrated the hold, and damaged the cargo, amongst which were large consignments of explosives, which increased the difficulties and dangers. Captain Jones was for five years in command of the barque.

THE rescue by the London Mission steamer *John Williams* of eight starving Samoans on the tiny islet of Numuni is a modern illustration of the manner in which the Polynesian islands were populated. The party, originally twenty-two in number, left Tutuila, the southernmost of the Samoan group, in a large boat to make two islands to the eastward, which they never reached, being blown out of their course, and after suffering the extreme of starvation, arrived with fourteen missing at one of the little specks of land that there dot the Pacific. In the old days such migrations were sometimes voluntary, sometimes compulsory, and often accidental. But in the past savage times the women, too, went in the canoes, and the absence of half the number, on reaching some unknown shore, would be easily accounted for on other reasons than the survival of the fittest. That New Zealand was first peopled in this way by ancestors of the present inhabitants there is little doubt, their speech being analogous to many of the Polynesian dialects. And the unfortunate inhabitants whom they found there, and proceeded to wipe out, were, doubtless, the outcome of other castaways of a long prior voyage. Even up to the beginning of the present century and the advent of the whites, many islands were found uninhabited, some showing no sign of man's occupancy, others with signs of a long past and forgotten semi-civilisation, thus affirming that the spread of population of the modern Polynesians is comparatively recent. On the Ellice Group the natives have an old spear or staff, which they assert came with their ancestors from Samoa, and even named the valley, where the wood grew. This was investigated by a recent traveller and he found that the wood the spear was made of grew in this valley, and there was a cherished legend there that a large party had gone to sea and never returned. While interesting as confirmatory of the theory of the spread of population, the experience must have been painful enough to the survivors. One way they had the advantage over Europeans in case of starvation staring them in the faces; a "tapa" waistcloth would be better eating than a pair of dungaree trousers.—*Sydney E. News.*

HIS Lordship the Puisne Judge got rather a shock in the Summary Court to-day. The place as usual was crowded with Chinese and when the principal in one case, by name Li Sun, was called His Lordship was surprised to see every Celestial in the court rise to his or her feet. The people had mistaken the man's name for the Chinese words "Hi Sun" (stand up), and hence the bewilderment of His Lordship.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

On account of "Hospital Sunday":—

Baptist Mission Chinese Church	$ 8.50
Yeung Nai On	20
Compradore, Douglas Lapraik & Co.	10
Che Si Ping	10
Shing On	5
Chun On Wing	5
Fook Loong	5
Wong Kee	5
Kung Yuen	5
Fook Luen Yun	5
Sums under $5	68

THE Bishop of Worcester, according to the Baptist Union, once had occasion to travel through Banbury by rail. Being desirous to test and at the same time encourage the far-famed industry of that town, and the train having stopped for a short time at the station, he beckoned to a small boy standing near at hand and inquired the price of the celebrated buns. "Threepence each," said the boy. The bishop thereupon handed him sixpence, and desired him to bring one to the car, adding, "And with the other threepence you may buy one for yourself." The boy shortly returned complacently munching his Banbury, and, handing three threepence in coppers to the bishop, exclaimed: "There was only one left, guvnor."

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. *v.* W.Y.R.

The above match was played on the cricket ground to-day. The club after making 239 runs for two wickets resigned, and the West Yorks commenced batting. Lt. Campbell and Mr. F. Maitland each made the brilliant score of 100, the former being not out. Col. Gordon (46) and Lt. Wood (31) were the best scorers for the Regiment. The total of W.Y.R.'s score was 161. The band of the West York played a few good selections during the afternoon.

A NAVAL COURT MARTIAL.

A Court Martial was held to-day on board H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel*, when Montague Penfold, Assistant Paymaster of H.M.S. *Humber* was charged with misappropriating public money. The Court consisted of Captain Clarke (H.M.S. *Undaunted*), President; Comdr. Sparkes (H.M.S. *Linnet*), Comdr. Kingsmill (H.M.S. *Archer*), Comdr. Henderson (R.N. Dockyard), and Comdr. Taylor (H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel*). Assistant Paymaster Wallace acted as prisoner's friend, and Mr. Vincent Lawford was judge advocate.

The charge being read, evidence was taken at some length and eventually the court found the charge proved. Prisoner was sentenced to lose 18 months' seniority and was ordered to be dismissed his ship.

THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING CO., LIMITED.

The General Managers, Messrs. John D. Humphreys and Son, have received the following report from their mining managers by the steamer *Atrite*.

Mount Macdonald, 8th October, 1897.

Queen Mine Prospecting Shaft.—Work was resumed in this shaft on the 27th September. At the time of suspending work we had met with a wall 20 feet west of the shaft. Being uncertain as to whether it was the true wall, on resuming work we drove into it a few feet, and being satisfied that it is the main wall of the Queen reef, we are now driving on it in country highly mineralised, which may give place to payable stone in a few feet.

Main Shaft.—Poppet legs re-erected and stays and brace and everything completed, steam boiler cleaned out and tested, Blake pump to pump water from dam and inject into boiler fixed and works well. Have tried the engine and find it works smoothly and well.

New winding rope on and everything ready to resume sinking on Monday next, the 11th inst.

Balmoral Mine.—In addition to the two men who are engaged driving the tunnel to cut the True Blue reef there are four parties of two men each prospecting on different portions of the mine. These are working on half pay and share system and are doing good prospecting work and in two cases they have a fair show of succeeding.

OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED.

The General Managers, Messrs. John D. Humphrys & Son, have received the following report from their mining managers by the steamer *Atrite*:—

Mount Macdonald, 8th October, 1897.

Eureka Mine.—Main shaft sunk 66 feet below 200 feet level, making a total of 266 ft. from surface. Reef in bottom 6 ft. wide. Ore of usual grade. From a depth of 240 ft. to present depth we have taken the reef out the full width. This, as stated in a previous report, somewhat retarded the progress in sinking, but yielded a large supply of ore, which is now at grass ready to send to the battery. At 253 feet bearers were put in and the shaft timber placed in position, the space behind, from whence the ore already referred to was taken, being filled up with mullock or refuse sent from the surface, so that when we come to work the reef up from the 300 ft. level the ore can be all taken out without in any way interfering with the shaft.

Timber Winze at 200 feet level sunk 20 feet. Reef 7 feet wide, of fair grade.

Air and Mullock Shaft securely timbered and divided, and ladder way fixed in air compartment leading into stopes above the 150 ft. level. This will be a great convenience in the future working of the mine. We have two men engaged breaking ore in the stopes above the 200 feet level, where the reef is 6 feet wide. Stone here of the usual grade.

Mining Tenement 18.—On this a small shaft is being sunk in which we expect to strike an off-shoot from the main Eureka reef. It was necessary to do some work on this M. T. and there is every reason to believe that the work will prove remunerative.

G. L. 105.—The reef in the underlay shaft is over 3 ft. wide between two good walls, and prospects about ½ oz. of gold per ton, which will when opened up pay well. Present depth 45 feet.

Everything in connection with the mine is in first class order, and large quantities of ore are ready for treatment.

The gold returns for Eureka Mine from March 22nd to Sept. 30th, inclusive, show a total of 1560 tons crushed, and 1019 ounces of gold sent to the Mint, realising (together with 90 ounces of silver) $4,046.

OBITUARY.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Gerald Slade, which took place at the Peak Hospital at 8 p.m. yesterday. The deceased gentleman was a partner in the firm of Messrs Gilman & Co. and the only son of Major-General H. D. Slade. At one time he was residing in Shanghai where he represented the firm, and he came to Hongkong on the departure of Mr. Macoun-chie for Europe. The deceased was 46 years of age and his death is mourned deeply by a large circle of friends. The funeral took place at 5 p.m. to-day and was attended by representatives of all the leading business houses in the colony. The flags over most of the shipping and other offices were at half-mast to-day out of respect for the deceased.

We also regret that we have to report the death of Mr. Abdool, clerk in the employ of Messrs. Madar and Farmer, of the New Victoria Hotel. He had been in the employ for about 15 years and his quiet unassuming manner made for him many friends amongst his employers' patrons. At the time of his death, which occurred at noon to-day, he was 28 years of age. For a long time past he had been suffering from consumption and it was to this malady he succumbed. The funeral this evening was largely attended.

THE AL FRESCO FETE.

The hearty response of representatives of all nationalities to this Bazaar for charitable purposes has led the Catholic residents here to renew it this year. The fete was held last night in the compound of the Catholic cathedral, and was inaugurated under the patronage of Bishop Piazzoli. The place was brilliantly illuminated with lanterns and there was a very large attendance. The tickets of admission included a souvenir which was obtained by "chances" at the stalls for this purpose. These consisted of many attractive articles such as fine silk and velvet cushions, girls' frocks, work boxes, and a host of other things that would tire an auctioneer to describe. In other stalls there were also various articles that were obtainable by drawing at ten cents a chance. Behind these stalls were Portuguese ladies and gentlemen who worked hard and deserve all praise and whose only desire was to give every satisfaction to their numerous customers. The attractions which seemed to afford most amusement were two shooting galleries, in which a "bull" entitled the winner to a prize. There was constantly a large number of persons waiting for their turns and frequently as many as eight bulls out of ten shots were scored by one marksman and even some of the fair sex tried their skill. The place was very lively and the fete was kept up till midnight. The Portuguese amateur band was in attendance and played many pleasant selections which greatly enhanced the enjoyment of the proceedings. The compound was beautifully decorated and illuminated by friends with the aid of some bluejackets. Much credit is due to the committee for the success of the fete and also to all those who took part in it. We hope that the sum realised is sufficient for its charitable and worthy object.

NAVAL NOTES.

The interesting announcement is made that the Duke of York is about to hoist his pennant in the *Terrible* in April next and to be given the command of two second-class cruisers for a roving commission to the Colonies. Although the Duke in his Naval career has been favoured greatly above his fellows, there will be no word of disapproval at this new departure; but on the contrary, the officers and men of the Fleet will be delighted to see him again on the quarter-deck.

The Rev. Beaumarice Stracey Clarke, Rector of Laindon-cum-Basildon, a son of the Rev. E. D. Clarke, LL.D., the traveller and first Professor of Mineralogy at Cambridge, has joined the majority. Born in 1813, and educated at Eton, he entered the Navy, and was present at the battle of Navarino. He took Orders in 1844, and was a chaplain in the service of the East India Company, as also to the 60th Rifles and the Bishop of Madras. After 23 years' service in India he returned to England, and was beneficed in the diocese of St. Albans, where he has done good work, and been an admirable *raconteur* of his early experiences.

A home paper's correspondent draws attention to the fact that the lessons of the Battle of the Yalu have been thoroughly digested by the German Naval constructors, so that in the new first-class cruiser *Bismarck*, just about to be launched, as in all their new ships, great care is taken to provide against the least chance of a conflagration in action, such as was occasioned in several instances in the Chinese vessels by the shell fire of the Japanese. Wooden decks are therefore conspicuous by their absence. Instead, cork and linoleum are spread over steel. The bulkheading is also of steel, and so are all the deck-houses and ladders. When necessary, in the cabins these bulkheads are lined with woollen fabric. All wood, too, has been removed from the magazines, except the racks for shell and powder charges.

"It was with much interest," writes Mr. William Bennett to the *Hampshire Telegraph*, "that I read your comments where you advocate an addition of meat per day for lower deck ratings. In doing so you are asking for a concession which would be thoroughly appreciated throughout the Service and which would remove a real grievance, and in consequence a lot of discontent. I feel certain the British public would not object to the extra expense this supper would incur, especially if they had experienced for a short time the bill of fare Jack at present receives. In my opinion the best way the Admiralty could celebrate this Jubilee year would be to allow Jack a supper. I might add that in my short experience I retired many a night feeling hungry, the result being that I purchased my discharge on the earliest opportunity."

A correspondent writing home from Simon's Bay on the 1st ult. says:—"A curious story has come down from the East Coast respecting the guns of the cruiser *Blonde*. It is reported that in four out of her six 4.7-in. quick-firing guns, while at target practice, the projectiles burst in the guns and so damaged the rifling and interior of the barrels as to render the guns useless. An inquiry was held on board the cruiser *Fox* into the cause of the accidents, but the proceedings were held with closed doors and the result, if any was arrived at, has not transpired. With the information at present at hand it is doubtful if any definite decision was come to. Probably nothing can be decided until the guns have been examined, then, perhaps, some light may be thrown on what is at present a mysterious affair. As far as can be ascertained no one on board the ship was injured by the bursting of the charges, which is the only satisfactory feature of the whole affair."

On board the [illegible] recently employed in the [illegible] one of his officers gave him [illegible] and while he [illegible] the ring of his [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible]

to a hurt certificate, but in this instance the medical officer of the *Ramillies* rules that inasmuch as the injury was not sustained in the course of duty the unfortunate stoker cannot be granted a smart ticket. The problem now exercising the minds of the ship's company is "What constitutes duty?" In cleaning the "bike" the stoker was carrying out the order of his superior officer. What would have happened to him had he refused to obey? The owner of the machine, declaring that the man was hurt "through his own fault," refuses to give him compensation. To whom can he appeal?

At the launch of the new German ironclad *Kaiser Wilhelm II.* at Stettin on the 14th ult., Prince Henry uttered the usual high falutin sentiments, probably prepared for him by the Emperor. Apart from this tall talk, however, it must be admitted that the new ironclad is a very respectable addition to the Imperial Navy. She is built entirely of German steel, and has a displacement of 11,050 tons; a length approximately of 369ft.; beam, 65ft.; draught, 25ft. She is protected for about four-fifths of her length by a belt of armour 6.4ft. deep and 11.8in. in thickness amidships. The engines indicate 13,000 horse power, and the vessel is propelled by three screws, each driven independently by an engine of its own. The extreme estimated speed is 18 knots. With regard to the armament, great importance has been attached to quick-firing guns. Amidships there is a battery of 18 of these guns, which are of about 6in. (15 centimètre) calibre. In addition to these there will be 12 guns of 3½in. calibre, 12 "revolver" guns of about 1½in. calibre, and eight machine guns for repelling torpedo-boat attacks. The ship is provided with four torpedo tubes, one above water and three below.

Captain Count Frederick C. Metaxa, of H.M.S. *Galatea*, presided on the 13th ult. at a court-martial held on board her Majesty's ship *Forte*, at Chatham Dockyard, for the trial of Mr. John Fowell Stephens, a Warrant Officer (carpenter) attached to her Majesty's ship *Pembroke*. Captain R. F. Hammick, of the Medway Fleet Reserve, prosecuted, and Mr. E. H. Eldred, Paymaster, officiated as Deputy-Judge-Advocate. There were four counts in the indictment; two charged the accused with having been drunk on board his ship on the 20th and 26th of August respectively; the third charged him with having improperly left his ship and the Dockyard, also on the 26th August; and the fourth charged him with having drunk alcoholic liquors so much to excess as to temporarily incapacitate him from the performance of his duties. The accused pleaded guilty to the whole of the charges, and in a written statement which he laid before the Court, expressed regret at the position in which he found himself. He had, he said, recently had much trouble and worry in private and domestic affairs, and this had led him to take more drink than was good for him. There was no previous entry against the accused, who was now ordered to forfeit 18 months' seniority and to be dismissed his ship.

An exchange that makes a special feature of naval news says:—While they were about it the Admiralty might just as well have added to the rations of the lower deck ratings something more substantial than salt, for considerable attention is certainly required to the number and quality of the meals allowed the men. They have at present three Service meals—at 6.30 a.m. 12 noon, and 4 p.m. Then comes the long fast of 14½ hours, between 4 p.m. and 6.30 a.m., during which time "Jack" is supposed by the Admiralty not to be hungry. As he is only human, it stands to reason that he requires a supper, or some equivalent meal, just as his officers do. Accordingly the mess provides a meal of its own at 7 p.m., but which the men have to pay for themselves. Even then they do not always get it, for, as it is not a Service meal, it is not kept for them if some duty requires them to be absent from the ship at about seven o'clock. Now, it is simply monstrous that the officials at Whitehall should suppose that healthy men do not require any food for 14½ hours at a stretch, and to make them pay for what they do eat during that period is a disgraceful piece of petty meanness. What is wanted is that there should be a recognised Service meal at seven o'clock—to be kept for those men absent on duty.

Advices from the Mediterranean show that serious discontent is rife amongst the engine-room ratings of the flagship *Ramillies*. The lot of the stoker class seems to be particularly hard just now, and in the interest of the men as well as of the Service generally no time should be lost in instituting a searching inquiry, with a view to putting an end to the present unsatisfactory condition of affairs. One correspondent declares that, owing to the tyrannical behaviour of a certain officer towards those whose misfortune it is to serve under him, stokers are being continually sent to prison or the cells on board the ship for refusing duty. Since the *Ramillies* has been in commission, only nine months, no fewer than 164 punishment warrants had been read on board, and of that number 137 related to stokers. Three leading stokers had been disrated and about 20 good conduct badges had been taken away. It is told of one leading stoker, whose life on board had been rendered miserable by the conditions under which he had to do duty, that he bought his discharge from the Navy for £12, went straight home to Chatham and re-joined the Service, in which he had already spent seventeen years and six months, to complete his time for pension.

The drawings for the improved *Majestic* and the third-class cruiser of the *Pelorus* type, which are to be laid down at Portsmouth during the current financial year, have not yet been received, but they are expected almost daily. The battleship is to be built on the slip now occupied by the *Canopus* while the cruiser will probably be constructed in No. 11 dock. Three cruisers are to be built of this class, the others being laid down at Devonport and Chatham at about the same time. Their length is to be 305ft., which is 5ft. longer than the *Pelorus*, with a beam of 37ft. 6in. They will have water-tube boilers, and a speed of 20 knots. One important feature in the "improved" *Majestic* will be the superiority in the quality of her armour, and she is to have light armour from the termination of her belt to her stem. This would almost seem to show that the Admiralty are beginning to pay some attention to the opinions of those critics who have long contended that the ends—the fore part, at all events—of our battleships and armoured cruisers should have a better protection than mere wood sheathing. Of course, there is the protective deck, but thin armour carried along the water-line, from the belt to the stem, would reduce the danger arising from an enemy's quick-firers to a minimum. Under existing conditions, if a ship were struck forward below the water-line by a shell from a quick-firer, the consequences might be so serious as to considerably hamper her movements. A watertight compartment would be flooded, and as the water could not be kept out, the vessel would get a list. Nor is that all. The ship would still be going ahead, and the water within her forced against the watertight bulkhead. If added to this there was a heavy sea, every wave she encountered would help the weight of water inside to force the bulkhead, which would probably eventually give way. Another compartment would thus be filled, and the same process renewed, only with augmented force. It is worth while remembering, too, that all the latest French and Russian battleships have the belt carried right round.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, October 4th.

The question ironically asked by the Conservative press, relative to the whereabouts of the Liberal leaders, has been answered during the past week by the speeches of John Morley, former Secretary for Ireland; H. B. Asquith, former Home Secretary, and George E. Russell, former Under-Secretary for India. "Disgrace abroad, and disaster at home" was the tenor of all the speeches, as was to be expected, but it must be admitted that the arraignment is approved by the consciences of many Conservatives, when they recall the record of the last few years. Mr. Russell, in dealing with the subject, recalled Prince Bismarck's verdict of Lord Salisbury as being "a lath painted to look like iron," and Lord Randolph Churchill's late estimate of the Premier as being "the greatest funk in Europe." Mr. Russell added his own opinion of Lord Salisbury, namely, "frailty, thy name is Cecil." The recent by-election in East Denbighshire, resulting in a greatly increased Liberal majority, seems to be a warning that the people are wearying of the blundering which has marked Lord Salisbury's policy. Mr. Russell recalls recent instances in which he said Lord Salisbury "always started with a fine display of vigor, which oozes away as soon as his opponents show fight." Continuing, Mr. Russell said that Lord Salisbury backed down before Secretary Olney, and is now backing down before Secretary Sherman, and that during the course of the proceedings between Greece and Turkey, the Tsar handled Lord Salisbury so effectually that he was made to eat his own pronouncement. Mr. Russell concluded with remarking: "His Lordship has just conceded the French full sovereignty over Tunis, and signs are not wanting that they will soon begin to elbow us out of Egypt. Even the Mussulman savages of India have taken heart, knowing that they are dealing with a mere man of the world. In short, there are no limits to the endurance of politroonery."

The *Westminster Gazette* this afternoon says that the weekly statement of the New York Associated Banks covers the idea that money will soon be dearer, adding: "The return indicates that we are approaching a time when shipments of gold from Europe will commence, especially, as lately there has been a check on buying in American securities for New York account. Any such outflow will, we believe, affect first, by arrangement, the Bank of France."

Newspapers here generally pay much attention to the New York political campaign and are publishing editorials on the subject. The *Globe* says: "Judging from the *Times'* despatch, Henry George will be the next mayor. The Americans do not exceed a quarter of the whole population and European anarchists, socialists, Italians, Poles, Hungarians and Russians, all the very lowest of their race, will support a man whose churlish economies and wild theories are derided in every capital of Europe. These being the people who sway public opinion, it is the height of absurdity to rave about blood being thicker than water." The *Pall Mall Gazette* article, written by an American, concludes with stating that Tammany will win.

A special despatch from Madrid gives the substance of an interview between a newspaper correspondent and an unnamed member of the new Spanish cabinet. The minister is quoted as saying that Senor Sagasta will carry out the Cuban reforms proposed by Marshal Martinez de Campos 10 years ago. These include a grant of autonomy to Cuba on condition that the island takes over the Cuban debt, including the war debt and accepts Spain's customs tariff. Premier Sagasta, it is asserted, will not consent to a customs union between the United States and Cuba and is said to have announced that if the former is not satisfied Spain is prepared to fight.

SEATTLE, Wn., October 4th.

Geo. Stanley, who is mining on Eldorado Creek, Yukon, writes his father in this city that claims owned by his father and his partner on Eldorado Creek will pan out half a million gold nuggets during the coming winter. The letter predicts that claims on Bear Creek will turn out rich. Those on Bonanza and Eldorado Creeks give pans averaging $5 each. Stanley also writes that the Canadian Government is exacting a royalty of 25 cents per cord on wood to be used in thawing gravel this winter. A similar charge is also made on logs used in building cabins for miners. During the summer the forest fires destroyed a large amount of cordwood. Owing to the scarcity of water but little sluicing has been done.

PARIS, October 4th.

The *Depêche Coloniale* says that the Pope has been seriously ill for three days past and his attending physicians fear a fatal issue.

ATHENS, October 4th.

The appointment of M. Streit as Minister of Finance, has created an excellent impression here. In an interview he declares that he will make arrangements without delay with old bondholders and also arrange for an indemnity loan to be issued immediately.

NEW YORK, October 4th.

The *Herald* this morning prints a number of interviews with leading Cubans here about the situation on the island. The Cubans all declare that autonomy for the island is out of the question, but many of them favor paying Spain a reasonable indemnity providing she evacuates the island at once.

PHILADELPHIA, October 4th.

The three days' cricket match between Captain Warner's team of English amateurs and a Philadelphia picked amateur 11 concluded to-day. On Friday the Britons scored 321 for their first innings. On Saturday the Philadelphians scored only 132 for their innings and were therefore obliged to follow on for their second innings. When stumps were drawn for the day, on the second innings, Quakers had netted them 248 runs with one wicket to fall. The Englishmen in to-day's play had only to overcome Philadelphia's lead of 58 and what might be added before the remaining wicket fell. Play was resumed to-day. All the Philadelphians were out for 256. The English had only 66 runs to make in their second innings to win the match and this they did with seven wickets to spare.

OTTAWA, October 4th.

Notice is given in the *Gazette* that application will be made at the next session for an act to incorporate a company with power to construct and operate a standard or narrow gauge railway from near Douglas channel to the Klondike district and to build and operate a tramway in connection therewith, and in connection with the navigation of the waters between Douglas channel and the Klondike district.

MONTREAL, October 4th.

Hon. Charles Mackintosh, Lieut. Governor of the North-west Territories, who had reached the city from New York, having come over from England on the American liner *St. Paul*, expressed great satisfaction at the changed condition of affairs in England regarding the Dominion. Never, he added, has there been anything like the awakening of interest in the resources of Canada as at the present time. While in London, Hon. Mr. Mackintosh was dined at the Savoy by leading financial men in the city, the banquet being presided over by one of the Dominion's most popular governors, the Marquis of Dufferin and Ava. The Lieut.-Governor remarked that it was a novel, yet a most interesting experience, and when asked if he had talked to them of Canada, he replied: "Yes, I gave them an hour of it, speaking of the Dominion's mineral and agricultural resources, telling them, amongst other things, that the North-west would export from eight to ten million bushels of grain in excess of last year; that the mining region of British Columbia is taking our cattle and other products, and that Canada was on the eve of a boom hitherto unheard of in the country. He insisted especially that British capital should as much as possible be kept within the empire. You have tried South Africa and Australia, and now give Canada a chance." Lord Dufferin also uttered some glowing words for Canada and the result was that a strong company will be formed to develop British Columbia and the Yukon gold deposits. The Governor of the North-west Territories left yesterday afternoon for the West.

LONDON, October 5th.

Edward Langtry, the former husband of Mrs. Lily Langtry, the actress, who it is said, was privately married to Prince Paul Esterhazy, has been found wandering in a demented condition on the railway line near Chester, and has been sent to a lunatic asylum.

The condition of Edward Langtry is the same this morning as when he was admitted yesterday into an asylum for the insane. The sudden breakdown of Langtry's health is strange and unexpected. Up to the present he has always enjoyed the best physical condition. He was an ardent sportsman, lived a great deal out of doors and was temperate in his habits.

A sensational report was published this morning under reserve by the *Daily Chronicle* of this city, that a strong London syndicate had sent the United States Government, through Consul-General Osborne, an offer to purchase the Union Pacific Railroad, based on the fact that at the request of an Englishman whose name is not divulged, the consul-general's office cabled Attorney-General McKenna asking if the road could be purchased by an Englishman. The Attorney-General replied that it would be sold to the highest bidder irrespective of nationality. The affair is not regarded seriously here by financiers.

MADRID, October 5th.

The new Ministry is constituted as follows: Senor Sagasta, President of the Council of Ministers; Senor Cullon, Minister of Foreign Affairs; Senor Groizard, Minister of Justice; General Correa, Minister of Marine; Senor Pützeerver, Minister of Finance; Senor Capdepeon, Minister of the Interior; Count Xiguent, Minister for the Colonies. The ministers after an informal meeting proceeded to the Palace and took the oath of office. The Cabinet is regarded as fairly strong, although some disappointment is felt that Senor Gamazo, Senor Maura, Senor Armijo and others who had been looked upon as probable members, are not included. It is understood that Senor Maura, who was the author of the first Cuban Home Rule bill, felt that he could not act satisfactorily with Senor Moret, while Senor Gamazo, who is a relative of Senor Maura, feared that his presence might imply a leaning toward the Maura scheme of reform. Consequently, Senor Sagasta was compelled to take less prominent men.

ST. PETERSBURG, October 5th.

Fresh excavations at Ternavsky, district of Tiraspol, not far from Odessa, the scene of the living burials of a number of persons belonging to a religious sect known as Baskolniki, who had been walled up alive by Feodore Kovaleff, in order that they might secure salvation by self-immolation, resulted in the discovery of six more bodies of men, women and children. The search continues and it is expected that about 30 corpses will be unearthed.

BERLIN, Oct. 5th.

When comparing the reports recorded in the international chess tournament which was concluded early this morning at Architekten Haus, this city, with the official scores, two corrections were made, namely: Alapin defeated Albino and Metger was beaten by Suechting.

GENEVA, N. Y., Oct. 5th.

Prof. Brooks, director of the Smith Observatory, calls attention to an interesting conjunction of Mercury and Jupiter which will occur on Wednesday morning, the 6th. The phenomena will be best observed about 5 o'clock, low down in the eastern morning sky. Mercury and Jupiter will then be less than half the apparent diameter of the moon apart, and the spectacle of the smallest and largest of the planets in the same field of view will be seen. The phenomena will be visible without a telescope.

NEW YORK, Oct. 5th.

Henry George states that he did not think he would have to work this time as he did in 1886. The tide, he said, was in his direction and the people were for him. He expressed the greatest confidence of his election. He declared that he would introduce national issues in the campaign, as he felt that they were of paramount importance now. He would advocate free trade, because as a free trader his action as mayor would be influenced by this belief.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 5th.

The mint in this city will resume the coinage of silver dollars in accordance with instructions received from Washington.

BUFFALO, N.Y., October 5th.

A special to the *Evening News* from Bridgeport, Conn., says: The Government strongly anticipates serious trouble in Spain, but later on, backed by some European power, probably Germany. This is shown by the notification sent secretly yesterday to owners of a number of the largest steamships and steam yachts on the Atlantic coast asking for immediate information as to the speed, capacity and fighting strength of their vessels and other complete data, in view of their being enrolled as auxiliary cruisers of the navy. From a further request made this morning the Union learns, on good authority, that the owners hold themselves in readiness to turn their vessels over to the Government at a moment's notice, the intimation being given that use will be found for them very shortly.

NEW YORK, October 6th.

The *Evening Post* to-day prints a dispatch from London which says:—No little talk has been aroused in political circles over passages in Lord Tennyson's biography which nearly all the reviewers either purposely or accidentally overlooked. Passages in letters between Lord Tennyson and the Queen furnish direct evidence of the Queen's bitter and active hostility to the home rule policy of her then constitutional advisers and quite upset the notion that the Queen has become the mere echo of her ministers.

It is well known that these letters are now published by the deliberate wish of Her Majesty. This lends peculiar interest and importance to the disclosure, suggesting her belief that Irish home rule is either dead beyond recall, though Mr. John Morley has this week again nailed his home rule colors to the Liberal mast, or else her fixed determination to withhold her acceptance of any such constitutional charge. Mr. Gladstone was the Queen's prime minister in June, 1885 and by the constitution, the recipient of her political confidences, yet she was at this time writing to Lord Tennyson on political topics in a letter which is withheld, but as Lord Tennyson's reply suggests, was in opposition to Mr. Gladstone's views.

Again, in April, 1886, two days after Mr. Gladstone, as the Queen's first minister, introduced the home rule bill to the Commons, the Queen writes: "I cannot in this letter allude to politics, but I know what your feelings must be;" which Lord Tennyson accepts in his reply as a reference to "the disastrous policy of the day," and declares that they would rather die than see the rebellious loyalists of Ulster repressed.

This evidence of the Queen's stepping outside of her constitutional advisers to condemn the Irish cause, and possibly embarrass her ministers, will certainly cause much pain in Ireland, if it does not create political trouble. Even the *Times* questions whether it is discreet to publish the letters.

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

NOVEMBER.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1895.

Barometer	30.115
Thermometer	69.0
Humidity	65.0
Rainfall	0.81

TO-DAY.

Friday, 5th November, 1897.

Chinese—*11th of 10th moon of 23rd year of Kwong-sü.*
Jewish—*10th Hesvan, 5658.*
Mohammedan—*9th Jomada II, 1315.*
Sun—*Rises* ..... *6hr. 3min.*
Sets ..... *5hr. 20min.*
Moon—*In Equator 3hr. a.m.*
High water—*Morning* ..... *8hr. 3min.*
Afternoon ..... *7hr. 10min.*
Low water—*Morning* ..... *0hr. 23min.*
Afternoon ..... *0hr. 30min.*

ANNIVERSARIES.

1605—The Gunpowder Plot.
1834 Great fire at Macao; 500 houses burnt.
1854—Battle of Inkerman.
1860—Peking evacuated by the Allies.

TO-MORROW.

Saturday, 6th November, 1897.
(St. Leonard.)

Chinese—*12th of 10th moon of 23rd year of Kwong-sü.*
Jewish—*11th Hesvan, 5658.*
Mohammedan—*10th Jomada II, 1315.*
Sun—*Rises* ..... *6hr. 9min.*
Sets ..... *5hr. 20min.*
High water—*Morning* ..... *7hr. 15min.*
Afternoon ..... *7hr. 26min.*
Low water—*Morning* ..... *1hr. 16min.*
Afternoon ..... *1hr. 4min.*

ANNIVERSARIES.

1839—The Tsimshatsui Battery opened fire on the British ships anchored in Hongkong harbour.
1840—Truce of Chusan.
1860 English and French Treaties promulgated by *Peking Gazette*.
1877—Gunpowder explosion on a Chinese junk near Cheung-chow; twenty persons killed.
1896—British sailors attacked and wounded by French sailors at Nagasaki.

MEMORANDA.

TO-MORROW,—6th November.

Shanghai Races—Off Day.
12.15 p.m.—Auction of gents' autumn and winter suitings.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of oil paintings and water colour pictures.
3 p.m.—Gymkhana at Happy Valley.

SUNDAY,—7th November.

9 a.m.—Excursion trip to Macao by the *Honam*.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE:

French *(Ernest Simons)* to-morrow.
Indian *(Arratoon Apcar)* to-morrow.
American *(Doric)* 8th inst.
Tacoma *(Victoria)* 11th inst.
German *(Bayern)* 18th inst.
American *(China)* 19th inst.
American *(Belgic)* 28th inst.

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THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co's steamer *Empress of China*, sailed from Yokohama for Vancouver, this afternoon.

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THE Imperial German Mail liner *Sachsen*, left Shanghai for this port at 9 a.m. to-day, and may be expected here on or about Sunday night the 7th inst.

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THE Agents (Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co.,) inform us that the "Ben" line steamer *Benledi*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore for this port on the 3rd inst.

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SHIPPING RETURNS.

From 6 p.m. yesterday to 6 p.m. to-day.

ARRIVALS.

Activ	steamer,	from	Hongay
Pronto	"	"	Canton
Talma	"	"	Shanghai
Lokzang	"	"	Canton
Fooksang	"	"	Canton
Bygdo	"	"	Saigon
Pyrrhus	"	"	Singapore
Picciola	"	"	Singapore
Kwangtse	"	"	Shanghai
Peter Rickmers	ship	"	New York

Aggregating 12,226 tons register.

DEPARTURES.

Mathilde	steamer,	for	Haiphong
Fretz	"	"	Touron
Sinkai	"	"	Tamsui
Pronto	"	"	Kobe
Kiangpak	"	"	Canton
Helene Rickmers	"	"	Bangkok
Suisang	"	"	Straits
Taiwan	"	"	Kobe
Lokzang	"	"	Shanghai
Sishan	"	"	Amoy
Thekla	"	"	Yokohama
P. C. C. Klao	"	"	Bangkok
Ping Ching	gunboat	"	Amoy

Aggregating 12,890 tons register.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

Irene (H.I.G.M.S.)	at	Kowloon	Dock.
Hattan	"	"	"
Kagothima Maru	"	"	"
Tacoma	"	"	"
Hailoong	"	"	"
Lehin	"	"	"
Pronto	"	"	"
West York	"	Cosmopolitan	"
Siam	"	"	"
Gerda	"	"	"
Ontang	"	Aberdeen	"

PASSED THE CANAL.

OUTWARD—28th September—*Cam, Trieste.* 1st October—*Glengarry, Strathallan.* 5th October—*Commonwealth.* 8th October—*Benledi, Ernest Simons, Pyrrhus, Irene.* 15th October—*Canton, Myrmidon, Port Adelaide, Beltona, Dorothea Rickmers, Frey.* 22nd October—*Irene, Deuteros, Talchu.* 26th October—*Pahling, Bayern, Benaldir.* 29th October—*Priam, Poseidon, Delia, Hansean.* 2nd November—*Benvenue, Marta Valerie, Malacca, Orestes, H. Sipping, Kirkfield.*

HOMEWARD—24th September—*Java, Salamis.* 5th October—*Diomed, Tantalus.* 8th October—*Prinz Heinrich, Lennox.* 12th October—*Glenavon.* 15th October—*Aglaia, Saghalien.* 19th October—*Promethous, Kara.* 22nd October—*Shanghai, Laos.* 26th October—*Pathan.* 29th October—*Ningchow, Balsala.* 2nd November—*Ernst, Yapan.*

Amusements.

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CITY HALL

THE
HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.
Will give two Performances of SIDNEY GRUNDY'S COMEDY
'A Pair of Spectacles,'
ON
TUESDAY, 9th November, 1897,
AND
THURSDAY, 11th November, 1897.

Doors Open each Evening at 8.45 p.m.
Performance, at 9.15 p.m.
PRICES, ... $3; $2, and $1.
Half-price to the Pit for Soldiers, Sailors and Police in uniform.
Seats can be booked at the Theatre on and after *Thursday*, the 4th November.
Booking Office open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Late Trams ½ hour after fall of Curtain.
Note.—A number of Seats will be reserved for the Cricket Teams on *Thursday*, 11th Nov.
Hongkong, 30th October, 1897. [1659

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.
PROMENADE CONCERT.
PRELIMINARY NOTICE

A PROMENADE CONCERT will be held at the VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS on TUESDAY, 16th November, in Honour of the STRAITS, SHANGHAI, and HONGKONG CRICKETERS.
Full Particulars Later.
G. T. CROOK,
Hon. Secretary,
H.K.V.C. RECREATION CLUB.
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1897. [1681

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
INTERPORT MATCH.

THERE will be PRACTICE TO-MORROW AFTERNOON, the 6th instant. Commencing at 2 o'clock
A. CHAPMAN,
Acting Hon. Sec.
Hongkong, 4th November, 1897. [64

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.
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WEATHER permitting, the Steamer "HONAM" will leave HONGKONG for MACAO on SUNDAY next, 7th November, at 9 A.M., and on the return journey will leave Macao at 10 P.M.
The Portuguese Amateur Band has kindly consented to play a selection of Music during the passage to Macao. In the Evening a Fancy Fair is announced to take place in Macao.
RETURN FARE, $2.50. No Single or Second Class Fares. Chinese servants 60 cents each way.
Tickets are obtainable at the COMPANY'S OFFICE before the day or on the morning of sailing on board the Steamer.
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1897. [1-w 1667

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Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 453.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on
MONDAY,
the 8th day of November, 1897, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.
By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1897. [1665

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 8th day of November, 1897, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Mong-Kok-Tsui, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	Kowloon Inland Lot 781	Mong-Kok-Tsui.	200	200	100	100	20,000	808	3,600

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 442.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on
TUESDAY,
the 9th day of November, 1897, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.
By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1897. [1675

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Tuesday, the 9th day of November, 1897, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Six Lots of CROWN LAND, together with Building Material stacked thereon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
	In Lot No.		ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	7,454	Taipingshan Street	45	45	45	45	2,025	12	2,100
2	7,454	"	45	45	45	45	2,025	12	2,100
3	7,455	"	45	45	45	45	2,025	12	2,100
4	7,456	"	45	45	45	45	2,025	12	2,100
5	7,457	"	45	45	45	45	2,025	12	2,100
6	7,458	"	30	30	45	45	1,350	12	2,400

Consignees.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship
"CITY OF PEKING,"
are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risks in the Company's Godowns at Shanghai, from whence delivery may be obtained on countersignature of Bills of Lading.
Goods remaining unclaimed after the 28th instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1897 [1-w 1

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"ROSETTA,"
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.
Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.
This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., *ex* S.S. *Valetta.*
From Persian Gulf, *ex* S.S. *Nasell* and *Rajputana.*
Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.
Goods not cleared by the 7th instant at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.
All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1897. [1-w 5

Shipping.

SAILING VESSEL.

FOR NEW YORK.
THE 838 *A. I.* American ship
"ABNER COBURN,"
Captain M. L. Park, is loading here for the above port and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.
Hongkong, 21st September, 1897. [1447

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
THE 100 A1 American Ship
"NEW YORK,"
Peabody, Master, shortly expected here, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Hongkong, 25th September, 1897. [1625

FOR BALTIMORE.
THE American Bark
"ST. KATHERINE,"
McIntosh, Master, shortly expected here from Shanghai, will load here for the above Port and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Hongkong, 4th November, 1897. [1665

Intimations.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
WAKASA MARU ..... J. B. MacMillan	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA STRAITS (Transhipping Cargo for JAVA PORTS), COLOMBO and PORT SAID.....	THURSDAY, 11th November, at 4 P.M.
*KAGOSHIMA MARU ..... W. Thompson	SEATTLE, WASH., U S A, VIA KOBE and YOKOHAMA	SUNDAY, 7th November, at NOON.
OMI MARU..... C. Young	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, VIA THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	FRIDAY, 26th November, at 4 P.M.
HAKATA MARU ..... R. Nivison.....	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	MONDAY, 15th November, at 4 P.M.
IDZUMI MARU ..... R. Nunome	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 19th November, at 4 P.M.
TOKIO MARU..... E. W. Haswell	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	MONDAY, 22nd November, at 4 P.M.
SENDAI MARU ..... C. Olsen.....	VLADIVOSTOCK, VIA SHANGHAI, CHEFOO, CHEMULPO, NAGASAKI, FUSAN and GENSAN.....	FRIDAY, 19th November, at 4 P.M.
HIROSHIMA MARU ..... N. Ohno.....	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE (Transhipping Cargo for Java Ports), and COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 23rd November, at Noon.

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A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1897. [1664

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL SESSION of HER MAJESTY'S JUSTICES of the PEACE will be held in the JUSTICES' ROOM, at the Magistracy, on THURSDAY, the 11th day of November, A.D. 1897, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of considering the undermentioned applications for SPIRIT LICENCES for the year 1897-1898:—

No.	Name of Applicant.	Whether licensed before	Description of licence.	Sign of House.	Situation of House.
1	Joachim Gomes ...	Yes.	Publican's licence.	The Man at the Wheel Hotel	No. 306, Queen's Road Central.
2	I. P. Madar	"	"	The New Victoria Hotel.....	No. 9, Queen's Road Central.
3	G. J. Cassanova	"	"	The Peak Hotel	Rural Building Lot 77, Peak.
4	L. M. Lobo.....	"	"	The Kowloon Hotel.	Elgin Road, British Kowloon.
5	A. R. Hock Gopo ...	No.	"	The Grand Hotel ...	Nos. 240, 242 & 244, Queen's Road Central.
6	John A. Dawes.....	Yes.	"	The Praya East Hotel.....	Nos. 38 & 39, Praya East.
7	M. Steinberg	"	"	The Colonial Hotel...	No. 1, Jubilee Street.
8	I Silberman	"	"	The Globe Hotel.....	No. 181, Queen's Road Central.
9	G. Neubrunn.....	"	"	The Land we live in Hotel.....	Nos. 332, and 334, Queen's Road Central.
10	C. A. Stuhlmann ...	"	"	The Travellers' Hotel	Nos. 12 & 13, Victoria Street.
11	W. Krater	"	"	The Rose, Shamrock & Thistle Hotel ...	No. 290, Queen's Road Central.
12	Anne Melhuish.....	"	Adjunct licence.	The Criterion Restaurant	Nos. 21 and 23, Pottinger Street.
13	F. I. F. Bedford ...	"	Publican's licence.	The Western Hotel...	Nos. 90 & 92, Queen's Road West.
14	Hans Jertrum.....	"	"	The German Tavern	No. 268, Queen's Road Central, and also three upper floors of No. 266, Queen's Road Central.
15	J. W. Osborne	"	"	The Bay View Hotel	Shaukiwan Road.
16	Jas. Goodchild	"	"	Thomas' Grill Room	No. 2, Queen's Road Central.
17	P. Bohm.....	"	"	The Windsor Hotel	No. 13, Queen's Road Central.
18	Cawasjee Byramjee	"	"	The Hung Hom Hotel	No. 30, Bakeley St., Hung Hom.
19	A. D. Death	No.	"	The Hongkong Hotel	Nos. 21, 23, 25 & 31, Queen's Road Central, and Nos. 1 and 3, Pedder's Street.
20	Moosa Mahomed ...	Yes.	"	The Stag Hotel	Nos. 148 and 150, Queen's Road Central.
21	P. Hardman	No.	"	The Sailors' Home...	Praya West.

H. E. WODEHOUSE,
Police Magistrate.

Magistracy, Hongkong, 27th October, 1897. [1-w 1679

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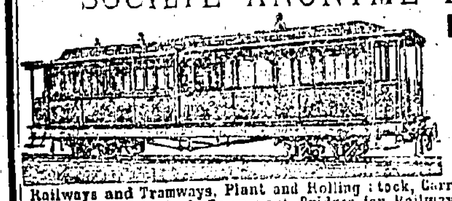

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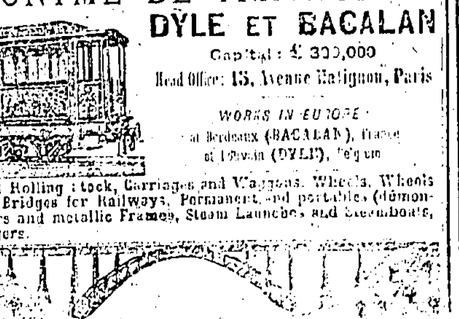

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Hongkong, 5th November, 1897. [1590

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Hongkong, 5th November 1897. [1668

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAILOONG,"

Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 7th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
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General Managers.

Hongkong, 4th November, 1897. [1683

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 30th October, 1897. [1655

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To be followed by the
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Hongkong, 21nd October, 1897. [1448

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"TEUCER,"

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Hongkong, 21st October, 1897. [1602

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Captain Branch, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 9th instant, at 3 P.M.

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Hongkong, 3rd November, 1897. [1678

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 2nd November, 1896. [1673

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Hongkong, 28th October, 1897. [1624

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to sail about 30th November, 1897.
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For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
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Hongkong, 1st November, 1897. [1660

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Hongkong, 15th March, 1896. [417

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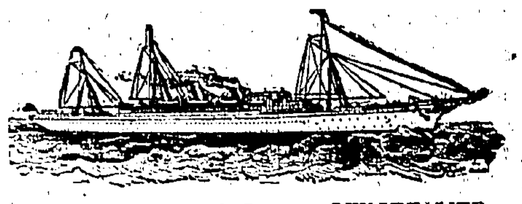
1897.  1897.

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EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 19th January.

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1897. [3

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Thursday, 18th Nov., at Noon.
Belgic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Tuesday, 7th Dec., at Noon.
Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Tuesday, 28th Dec., at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"DORIC"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on THURSDAY, the 18th Nov., 1897, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (*or vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.*

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1897. [2

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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Peking (via Amoy, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, and Yokohama	Tuesday, 9th Nov., at Noon.
China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Saturday, 27th Nov., at Noon.
Peru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Thursday, 16th Dec., at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF PEKING"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* AMOY, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA & YOKOHAMA on TUESDAY, the 9th November, 1897, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

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Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

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Hongkong, 24th August, 1897. [1

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(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Sachsen	Tuesday...	9th Nov.
Bayern	Tuesday...	7th Dec.
Prinz Heinrich ...	Tuesday...	4th Jan.
Preussen	Tuesday...	1st Feb.
Sachsen	Tuesday...	1st March.

ON TUESDAY, the 9th day of November, 1897, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Supmer, with MAILS, PASSENGRS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

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Hongkong, 12th October, 1897. [1553

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Victoria	3,167	J. Panton, R.N.R....	Nov. 30.
Olympia	2,608	J. Trueblood.....	Dec. 21.
Columbia	2,605	A. Gow.....	Jan. 11.

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Lombard	2,580	C. Ralson	Nov. 16.
Braemar	3,601	E. Porter.....	Dec. 14.
Mogul	3,654	W. H. Wright.....	Jan. 4.

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Hongkong, 4th November, 1897. [6

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